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COVID-19 Outbreak Reported in Healthcare/Rehabilitation Center in Humble

Multiple COVID-19 related cases and deaths are under investigation

Houston – Harris County Public Health (HCPH) in conjunction with the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) are investigating a COVID-19 outbreak at Oakmont Healthcare & Rehabilitation Center of Humble. HCPH's initial investigation of this facility began on April 21, 2020 after two individuals tested positive for COVID-19. As the regulatory agency for healthcare facilities, HHSC began working with the facility on April 22, 2020.

To date, there have been **14** COVID-19 related deaths (13 confirmed deaths and 1 pending documentation). Based on records, to date **56** residents and staff members are actively being monitored by HCPH for COVID-19. Earlier today, HCPH issued public health control orders to the facility to ensure infection control and prevention measures are being taken to protect the residents and staff from COVID-19. HCPH is continuing to work with HHSC and other state entities in this investigation.

The elderly and people with underlying health conditions or weakened immune systems are at much higher risk for developing serious complications from COVID-19, including hospitalizations and death. To keep loved ones in nursing homes and or long-term facilities safe and to limit the risk of spreading COVID-19, it is important that community members continue to take active prevention measures including limiting visits to such these facilities. We can all contribute to stopping the spread of COVID-19 by practicing social distancing and following everyday COVID-19 prevention measures.

To date, there are **13,603** confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Houston/Harris County and **247** deaths.

For updates on COVID-19, including case counts, health tips, fact sheets, and other community resources, visit www.ReadyHarris.org and the www.hcphtx.org.

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